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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant wishes to bring the documents, listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner. The HUHN and OLTMANNS documents were cited in the German Search Report of 23 MAY 2002 about priority application DE 200 20 421 and the remaining documents were cited in the Int'l Search Report of 4 JUN. 2003. Copies of these search reports are enclosed herewith.

This suffices to make the relevance of the documents apparent. Therefore, this submission complies with MPEP § 609.

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REMARKS

No representation is made that more pertinent, although presently unknown, art does not exist. It is anticipated that the Examiner will conduct a thorough search of the prior art and will carefully consider the documents cited.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to **return an initialled copy** of form PTO-1449, to confirm that the references have been considered.

Early examination and allowance of the present application are respectfully solicited. No fee is believed required; if any is required, it may be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0442.

Respectfully submitted,

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UNITED STATES PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAM. INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	INVENTOR/ASSIGNEE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	US	3,588,284	28 JUN. '71	STURLASON, et al.	417	201	
	US	5,946,161	31 AUG. '99	SCHUH/PAPST LIC.	360	97.03	
	US	5,973,424	26 OCT. 1999	ENGELBERGER et al.	310	43	
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	US	6,507,135	14 JAN. '03	WINKLER	310	91	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	EP	0 658 967	21 JUN.	Munsch/Munsch			NO
	DE	195 07 123	5 SEP. 1996	OLTMANN'S/LICENTIA			NO
	WO	00-13294	9 MAR.	Winkler/Papst-Motoren			= USP 6,507,135
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)

		"Modes of protection as per DIN VDE 0470-1 (EN 60529)," LAPP USA, Florham Park, NJ, found AUG. 2004 at webpage WWW.LAPPUSA.COM/CATALOG/TechData-IPRatings.HTM (pp.1-2).
		"Environmental ratings for enclosures based on Ingress Protection (IP) Code designations," Underwriters' Laboratories, found AUG. 2004 at webpage WWW.UL.COM/HAZLOC/REF/INGRESS.HTM.

Examiner

Date: